

1 Sponsored by: Councilmember  
2 Requested by: County Executive, Prosecuting Attorney, and Sheriff

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6 **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-**[Subject]

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9 **An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Adopting a New Chapter 8.102**  
10 **of the Pierce County Code, "Civilian Review Board."**

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12 **Whereas**, law enforcement is an essential function of Pierce County; and

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14 **Whereas**, confidence in the judgment of law enforcement officers is essential to  
15 public support; and

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17 **Whereas**, transparency is essential to establishing and maintaining confidence in  
18 all County operations; and

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20 **Whereas**, the County has implemented the use of body and dash cameras with  
21 the support of the Sheriff and Deputy Sheriffs to improve accountability, safety, and data  
22 analysis; and

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24 **Whereas**, data shows uses of force are disproportionate to race, ethnicity and  
25 culture of County residents; and

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27 **Whereas**, the County is continuing to analyze all phases of the criminal justice  
28 system to determine if the use of force is disproportionate to the circumstances in which  
29 force is used; and

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31 **Whereas**, the existing system of investigating complaints of law enforcement  
32 uses of force, discrimination and harassment is not subject to independent review; and

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34 **Whereas**, it is in the public interest for the residents of the County to have an  
35 independent mechanism to fairly review complaints and investigations concerning law  
36 enforcement conduct;

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38 **Whereas**, the County believes the establishment of a Civilian Review Board to  
39 conduct preliminary reviews of complaints, to issue recommendations on investigation  
40 findings, and to publish annual reports would add transparency and confidence to the  
41 process of policing; **Now Therefore**,

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43 **BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Pierce County:**

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45 Section 1. A new Chapter 8.102 of the Pierce County Code, "Civilian Review  
46 Board," is hereby adopted as shown in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and  
47 incorporated herein by reference.



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**PASSED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

ATTEST:

**PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
Pierce County, Washington

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**Denise D. Johnson**  
Clerk to the Council

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**Derek Young**  
Council Chair

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**Bruce F. Dammeier**  
Pierce County Executive  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Vetoed \_\_\_\_\_, this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
2022.

Date of Publication of  
Notice of Public Hearing: \_\_\_\_\_

Effective Date of Ordinance: \_\_\_\_\_

